

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1860 without my signature.

All charter schools should be held accountable for the academic achievement of their students and charter school students should be responsible for giving their best effort to reach their potential. However, this bill runs counter to the general intent of charter schools, which is to operate independently from the existing school district structure. Current law exempts charter schools from most laws governing school districts. This bill would subject charter schools to specific regulations and laws that may hamper their ability to focus on innovation in the classroom and increasing student performance.

For these reasons, I cannot support this legislation.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger